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for department store workers

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Panel to Debate Good and Bad of 'Right to Work'

"Would 'Right to Work' Laws Help or Hinder Economic Recovery?"

This subject—hot as a firecracker—will be the topic of the Local I-S round table conference to be held at the Union auditorium on Wednesday evening, April 23rd.

The thing that makes the subject hot is the fact that known advocates of the latest legislative union-busting gimmick are using millions of unemployed to justify their assault on union-won standards.

Senator Knowland of California, who is soon to leave his Senate seat in a bid for the governor's mansion is basing a large part of his campaign on advocacy of "right to work" legislation.

New York State's Republican majority has been quietly sitting on similar bills, but has not considered the time ripe for an all-out push for passage. They have also been confronted with the certainty of a Harriman veto.

Concern for Unemployed

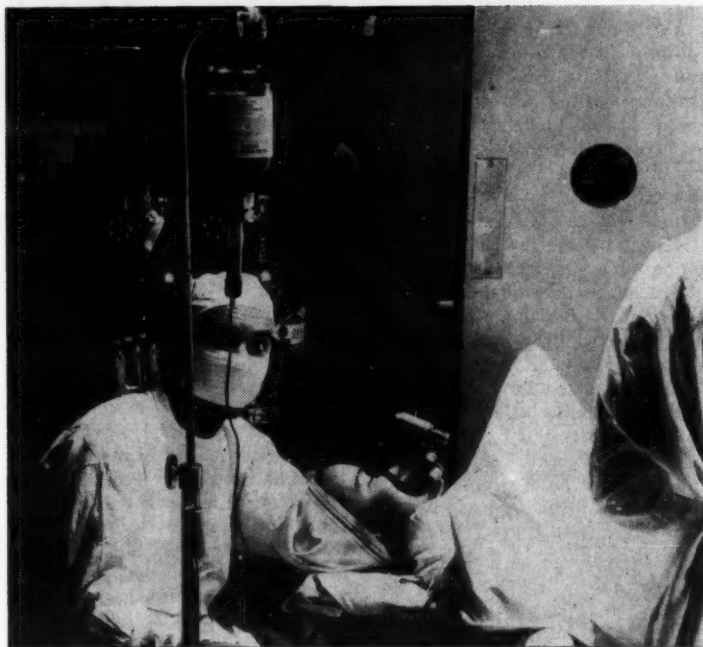
While all of labor is deeply concerned with the nation's 6,000,000 unemployed and has advocated a constructive legislative program to deal with the problem, the enemies of labor have seized on their distress to push laws aimed at destroying labor's organizations.

Be sure to join the experts in this vital discussion on April 23!

1-S Interprets 'Sell C-T' Rules

To clear up existing confusion on the meaning of Macy's "Sell C-T" program, the officers of Local I-S offer the following as their interpretation:

1. Salesclerks are not expected to do anything but inform the customer that CT forms are available at the Service Supervisor's desk.
2. Supervisors are not allowed to help the customer complete the application, since this is staff work.
3. Supervisors who violate the contract ban on staff work should be written up immediately.
4. Any help that a customer needs in making application for CT should be referred to the Cash-Time office on the 11th Floor.



BLOOD—Easy to give and wonderful to get when it's needed!

MARCH ON CAPITOL TO PRESS FOR EXTENDED MINIMUM PAY

More than 1000 retail workers, including close to 100 members of Local I-S, are expected to board a special train out of Penn Station early in the morning of April 29th.

The huge delegation will be Washington-bound to press their fight for extension of the Fair Labor Standards Act, more commonly known as the Minimum Wage and Hour Law.

Their goal will be to win passage of the Morse-Kelley bill, which would bring under minimum wage coverage close to 10 million workers who do not now have the protection of the law.

Special Importance

Special significance is attached to this RWDSU pilgrimage, since it is the first large-scale labor action on a political-economic issue since the AFL-CIO "Put America Back to Work" conference called for grassroots action to help win an effective legislative program to combat the current recession.

Shop Stewards and Executive Board members are carrying the main responsibility of acquainting their members with the facts, of raising the \$13 needed to send a department representative, and in helping select the delegates.

Deadline for turning in money and the names of delegates was set for Friday, April 18th.

Delegates will meet at Penn Station on Tuesday, April 29th at 7:45 A. M. Daylight Saving Time. Box lunch and supper, plus bus transportation in Washington, are included in the \$13 fee.

The group will leave the capitol at 5:55 P.M. A special train will carry the delegates each way.

First Gun

With many Congressmen holding fast to a "wait and see" attitude so far as labor's legislative program is concerned, the present mobilization is seen as an opening gun in the I-S Committee on Political Education (COPE) campaign for members.

The COPE membership drive, at \$1 a person, is designed to involve more people in "bread and butter" political action.

The money that comes from such a drive is used to help finance the campaigns of those candidates for public office, regardless of party label, who are pledged to support at least a substantial part of labor's program.

President Kovenetsky, reporting on his visits to Congressmen while at the AFL-CIO conference, found Representatives like Lester Holtzman, who was elected with strong labor and Local I-S backing, most willing to go to bat for legislation endorsed by AFL-CIO. Others, with no sense of responsibility to groups of organized voters, felt no need to give serious attention to labor's political action demands.

Every delegate to Washington can help win a better minimum wage law!

Every dollar can help elect men better able to represent ALL the people—including workers!

GO and GIVE!

Blood Bank Continues to Meet All Members' Needs; New Drive Coming

Dear Editor:

We cannot overemphasize the tremendous importance of our Blood Bank.

If anyone had told me that morning on the job that by evening I'd be in the hospital in need of blood I wouldn't have believed it.

But that's what happened, and the Blood Bank was "on the ball".

In less than one week I was a patient in two different hospitals, and the blood was there—on call—at both places.

Again, I am grateful.

Virginia Thomas, Dept. 75

Thanks to the active cooperation of nearly 2,000 men and women last May, the Local I-S, Macy's Blood Bank was able to help Virginia Thomas—and many like her.

In less than a year close to 400 pints of life-saving blood have been released by the Bank.

But the Blood Bank year is due to end in just one month—and a new drive is soon to get under way. From April 21st to 25th a series of rallies will be held to acquaint all members of Local I-S

—and all executives—with the meaning, purpose, and value of the Blood Bank.

From April 28th to May 2nd Blood Bank Pledge Sheets will be circulated in every department of Herald Square and the branch stores.

And May 12, 13 and 15 will be the actual D (for Donor) Days.

Pledges Needed

Because of the extraordinarily high standards set by the Red Cross a large number of would-be donors are turned away each year.

In order to get the number of pints needed for continuation of the Bank's broad coverage of members and their dependents, a bare minimum of 2,000 Pledge Sheet signers is needed.

Tired Blood?

Members who want to make a pledge and keep a pledge are urged to pay special attention to their diet—with lots of fresh vegetables and iron building foods included from now until D-Day.

Remember—Blood is painless to give and wonderful to get!

Be sure to make a pledge!

OFFICIAL NOTICE

Area Membership Meetings

HERALD SQUARE

Tuesday, April 29th 7:00 PM Manhattan Center

PARKCHESTER

Tuesday, April 29th 6:30 PM Chester House

WHITE PLAINS

Wednesday, April 30th 6:30 PM VFW Hall

JAMAICA

Wednesday, April 30th 6:30 PM Jamaica Hall

FLATBUSH

Wednesday, April 30th 6:30 PM Johnny Johnston's

\$2 Assessment to the Welfare Fund for unexcused absence

Admission by 1958 Union Card only

DON'T SHOP IN MACY'S ROOSEVELT FIELD!



Talking Shop

By Vice Presidents



Phil Hoffstein

and

Bill Atkinson

TWO YEARS AGO LOCAL 1-S BLASTED, through the pages of this paper, the commonly accepted practice of hospitals adding staggering charges for the administering of blood—after receiving, pint for pint, replacement of all they had used.

It had been the Union's experience that many hospitals accepted our blood, and then added charges ranging from \$35 to more than \$100 for each pint a patient had received.

We found that one particular blood bank, the Inter-County, actually had its own employees working in key hospital positions. Those people sabotaged Red Cross replacement of blood, so that their employer's blood would be used—and a profit made.

WE CHARGED THE HOSPITALS WITH MAKING "blood money". They pleaded not guilty and blamed such businesses as the Inter-County Blood Bank.

Out of our exposure of these evil practices a broad investigative committee, consisting of representatives of labor, the hospitals, medical groups and blood banks, met to consider the problem. To further this study, a total of \$36,750 was contributed by three foundations.

WE KNOW THAT AMONG ITS RECOMMENDATIONS the study proposes the formation of a permanent community organization, to be responsible for establishing uniform replacement rates and uniform procedures for the procurement and distribution of blood.

And we can say, right now, that such a committee will be able to fulfill its responsibilities only if labor—and the community organizations that have established blood banks—are well represented. This point was fervently emphasized by the Local 1-S representatives at the last meeting.

BUT WE CAN ALSO SAY THAT LOCAL 1-S has already substantially licked the problem. In direct dealings with several hospitals we have made it very clear that we advise our members not to pay anything more than the standard hospital fee for administering blood.

When a member used Inter-County blood, which was quickly replaced from our Blood Bank, he received an added bill at the rate of \$35 a pint for each pint he had used. When he received a dunning letter from a collection agency we challenged that agency to take us to court. And they were never heard from again!

IN THE YEARS SINCE OUR BLOOD BANK was first established we have distributed—without any charge—more than 3,000 pints to members, their husbands or wives and children—and many parents.

The value of that blood stands at a bare minimum of \$105,000. At the common two-for-one replacement, its value rises to at least \$210,000. And if we were to figure in those hospitals that normally demand three-for-one, and even more, the dollar value of our blood bank would be considerably higher.

BUT THE TRUE VALUE OF OUR BANK cannot be measured in dollars and cents. The peace of mind that comes with knowing that blood is just as close as the nearest telephone has earned us the undying gratitude of hundreds and hundreds of men and women. And the freedom from fear and uncertainty that the Blood Bank has created has value beyond words.

But with all that, only a relatively small percentage of our people have been active supporters of the Blood Bank! Most people hold back—whether they are willing to admit it or not—out of fear. They think that there is pain attached to giving a pint of blood. And they blindly and stubbornly refuse to take the word of thousands of donors who truthfully say that giving is easy and painless.

WE CANNOT FORCE PEOPLE TO GIVE blood against their will. We can only appeal to them, from the bottom of our hearts. We can only try to convince every member of the great importance of at least being willing to make a pledge. We can only try to show what an important part the bank has played in the lives of so many of our co-workers.

What is involved is simple enough. Signing a pledge sheet is just a statement of willingness to give to the Blood Bank if the Red Cross physicians find that you are physically able to do so.

Red Cross medical standards are the highest in blood banking. Acceptance as a donor means that you are really in the pink. Rejection may mean nothing more than that the iron content of your blood is not quite up to Red Cross standards.

In any case, the examining physician's findings are completely confidential. They are between you and him—and nobody else!

Once you are found physically fit to be a donor you will find that giving is easy. You feel no pain and no discomfort. A rest period and a snack—and your body is busily replacing the blood you gave. And that blood stands as year-long insurance against emergency or routine need. It is there should you or your family—or your co-workers—need it. You can't afford to be without the Blood Bank's vital protection. The Blood Bank can't exist without you. Be sure to make a pledge.

Board Backs Drive to Win Minimum Pay for 9 Million Retail Workers

The Local 1-S Executive Board, at its regular meeting on March 25, gave its unanimous support to a call for a mass delegation to Washington, D. C. on April 29th; endorsed a report by President Sam Kovenetsky; approved reports from its Committee on Political Education (COPE), its Activity Committee, and from Education Director Dick Pastor on the Roosevelt Field organizing drive; discussed Macy's new method for soliciting CT accounts; and welcomed a new member.

Delegation

The fight for extension of the minimum wage and hour law continues. At this time the Congress has before it the Morse-Kelley bill which would extend minimum wage protection to nearly half of the 20 million workers not now covered.

Included in the millions not protected by the law are most of the nation's 9,000,000 retail workers. In all but five of the 48 states there is no minimum wage for retail workers, President Kovenetsky pointed out. "And in nearby Pennsylvania, employees of Sears Roebuck earn as little as 45 cents an hour."

"Extension of the \$1 an hour minimum to retail workers does not mean a raise for us, but it is urgently needed to safeguard the higher minimums we and other unions have written into our contracts," the President declared.

Department collections will be organized, as in the past, for the raising of money needed to pay delegates' fares and expenses.

Members who go to Washington will be excused from the general membership meetings that are scheduled for the same day.

President's Report

President Kovenetsky, in his report, urged the Board to "help oil the Union's machinery" between now and January, and "have it ready for action."

Part of the preparedness program he advocated was a sharp step-up in political action. The President warned that labor's legislative program aimed at ending the current recession could be achieved only through large-scale rank and file activity.

He warned against a "gloom and doom" approach to present problems. "There is nothing wrong with our economy that increased purchasing power in the hands of wage earners cannot cure," he said.

"Industry is cutting back after building huge inventories and raising prices, but more money in the workers' hands will quickly wipe out those inventories and create new demands for full production."

To accomplish these ends, the Executive Board unanimously supported a motion by Neal Kuypers (9th Floor) backing the program

advanced at the AFL-CIO "Put America Back to Work" conference in mid-March.

For added details, see page 4.

RCIA Pickets

Turning his attention to the pickets on 34th Street, President Kovenetsky reminded the Board of the strike against Macy's La-Salle and Koch store in Toledo which was called last November by the Retail Clerks International Association.

That strike, still in progress, has been bitterly fought by Macy's. Workers with as much as 30 years of service are among the group with which Macy's refuses to bargain.

"We have had no official request for assistance from the RCIA," President Kovenetsky reported.

"We were simply advised that this demonstration would take place to acquaint Macy shoppers with what the company is doing in Toledo."

"We all hope they will find the strength to win in Toledo, or there will be another notch in Macy's gun when they meet us next January."

COPE

Reporting for the Committee on Political Education (COPE), Administrator Charles Boyd informed the Board that the Union's round-table conferences had brought new members to the Committee and increased attendance at its meetings.

He advised the Board of the April 23rd panel conference and the May 1st COPE drive for funds. See Page 1 for both stories.

Roosevelt Field

Education Director Dick Pastor reported marked progress in the Local 1-S bid for increased support in the Roosevelt Field store

and increased backing from the community—at large. Details on page 3.

Activity

Jerry Harte (5th Floor) reporting for the Activity Committee, said, "There is only word to describe our Gay 90's Party—and that is WOW!"

"It was a tremendous affair and everyone had a grand time. It was only unfortunate," he said, "that only three Board members saw fit to come, and that only a handful saw fit to make tickets available to the people on their floors." See story on page 3.

DA-CT

Vice President and Board Chairman Phil Hoffstein introduced the subject of Macy's "Sell CT" campaign—and the Board took it from there.

"This system of sending the customer to the service desk to fill out a CT application is a threat to the jobs of CT Junior Interviewers," Sydel Molk, of CT declared.

"If Supervisors help customers complete these forms they are doing staff work and should be written up immediately," Dorothea Andrews (8th Floor) said.

"If we accept any responsibility for selling CT we will not only do other Union members out of their jobs, but will end up with still one more duty on our backs," the Board agreed.

The answer, everyone made clear, is to send customers to the Service Desk and then, if they need help, to the CT office on the 11th Floor with the sales check fastened to the application—blank, of course.

New Member

The Board welcomed John Malone, Display, on his re-election after a lapse of several years.



Macy workers from Toledo tell New Yorkers about their five-month-old strike. Pickets and leaflet distributors bid for customer support.

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BRANCH STORE NEWS

FLATBUSH



Rose Nagler

Two years have passed since the historic strike at Macy's. As we look back to those hectic days we can count our blessings and express our thanks in greater Union solidarity. The heartaches and agony of the strike are long forgotten, but our gains remain with us. So, don't let us dissipate them. For instance, Macy's has announced a new policy on cash register errors. How can we protect ourselves against such errors? By merely living up to Union regulations and serving one customer at a time! If in doubt about any of the Union regulations, ask your Executive Committee: Dorothy Lichtenstein, Rita Yetman and Gertrude Greene. ...Often when illness strikes it is necessary to resort to the Blood Bank. It therefore behooves all of us who can, to donate to the Blood Bank. Those who sign pledge cards will not be asked to give blood until passed by a Red Cross doctor. Help continue the protection for yourself and family. Donate to the Blood Bank! ...Wedding bells heard and wedding bells to be heard: Sylvia Mucco, Sportswear, celebrating the wedding of her daughter, while Esther Karp, Notions, is preparing for the wedding of her daughter... Did you notice the recent spriteliness of Rose Perelman, Children's? There's a reason for that. She has become a terpsichorean devotee, and is taking cha-cha lessons. And why the cha-cha? So she can soon dance at her son's wedding. Mazel Tov, Rose.

PARKCHESTER

All Viola Eisman's (P9) friends were delighted to hear that her son Richard, at Queens College, has earned a Phi Beta Kappa key. This places him in the ranks of the honored scholars. It would seem, judging by all appearances, that he is following in the footsteps of his big brother—and mighty big steps they are! ...Congratulations to Georgiana Flood (P7) who is now a grandmother for the second time. This time, it is a girl—and everyone's satisfied... Eileen Levins (P10) is expecting a fourth. To which we can only say (for the fourth time) congratulations and best wishes... Evelyn Sexton (P7) proudly announces that her daughter Carol is altar-bound. This, as most everyone will agree, is a most pleasant trip! ... We were sorry to learn that Ann Moore (P10) is in the hospital. At this writing we don't know what ails her, but we all hope she will get well and be back with us soon... It was with regret that we heard that Pearl Reed (P42) has suffered a bereavement. Our sincere condolences, Pearl... Let's not forget that on Tuesday, April 29 we have a membership meeting scheduled at the Chester House. With the contract expiring at the end of this year every meeting is most important. Let's all be there!



Fay Abbate

JAMAICA

Sorry that this column arrived too late for inclusion in the last issue. Your reporter was on vacation at the time, but still did her level best to get Jamaica doings to the paper... At that time we were welcoming new members including Marie Nastasi, J15; Rose LaMinica, J7; and Mildred Papritz, J8. We just wanted to let them know that they are part of a darned good team, and that we are glad to have them with us... Gladys Woerner and Rose Wishifsky, both of J5 have sons going into the Air Force. We wish them luck and Godspeed... Marion Moore, J4, set to keep a date with Mr. Stork. And Mary Kelly, J5, also expecting a tax exemption... Frances Dahl, J15, announced the engagement of her granddaughter, Pat, at a party in March... Wedding bells are due to ring on August 3rd for Marilyn Korn, daughter of Evelyn in J5... Our most sincere, even though belated, sympathy to Novella Webb, J4, and Rose Curcio, J12, on the loss of their fathers... Some from the sick list are back with us, some new ones are home, and so are some of those who were out a couple of weeks ago. We can only hope that they will all get well quickly and that we will see them soon... Don't forget the meeting at Jamaica Hall on Wednesday, April 30th. It's very important that we all be there!



Mary Edwards

WHITE PLAINS

We are glad to see that Camille Rimagnoli, Boys, is back after a long illness. Also, Elsie Jensen, Housewares, who recently had a cast removed from her foot... Frances Petluck, Silver, has also returned after her long illness... Congratulations to Mae Bergstrom, who became the mother of a baby boy... Also to Vinnie Lepores, Plat-form, whose wife gave birth to a girl... We are happy to hear that Clara Douglas, Gifts, became a proud grandmother... Congratulations also to Sally Randle, whose daughter was married Sunday, April 6th... We wish to express condolences to Kitty Hanley, Kitchen Furniture, who recently lost her Mother-in-Law; also to Grace Pfal, Corsets, who also lost her Mother-in-Law... We are sorry to hear that Mrs. MacDonald, China, recently lost her husband... We express to Clara, Kitty and Grace our sincere sympathies... We hope to see Mrs. Tuschinsky, Infants, return to us soon after her illness... With the Negotiations Committee now being formed we want to remind our White Plains brothers that they should think seriously of store problems and make their suggestions to the committee. It is everyone's privilege and duty to take part in this important task.



Mae Bergstrom
Russ Bagley

Roosevelt Workers Actively Help in Organizing; Community Gets Facts

As the confidence of the Roosevelt Field workers mounts, management becomes increasingly unsure of itself and how to cope with the rising tide of organization within the store and the Union's appeal for a continuing boycott on the outside.

A recent meeting of 1-S members from the Long Island store reflected, more sharply than ever before, a rank-and-file willingness to take an active part in putting the drive over the top.

For the first time, these members have stated their desire to join the Union's organizers in the visits to the homes of their co-workers.

They are convinced that their participation will give still more courage to the people in the store and will speed the present phase of the Union's push, which has been producing new members at an increasingly rapid rate.

Macy's Unsure

At the same time, Macy's has shown mounting uncertainty about

how to cope with the new level of discussion of issues and the Union.

Members report a marked increase in the amount of talk in the store, and increased uneasiness on the part of executives on how to deal with it.

From the top level there are signs of unwillingness on management's part to come into direct conflict.

In one of the recent weekly newsletters sent by the Union to the people in the store—and to store manager Richard Cukor—it was suggested that the company's executives could be of more use to the people if they paid more attention to merchandise and fair job reviews instead of two, three and four of them following the Union's organizers as they make their rounds of the store.

Less than 24-hours after Mr. Cukor had received this letter, the executives were called off and apparently assigned to more useful duties.

Community Campaign

The Local 1-S campaign aimed

at making the entire Nassau County area aware of Macy's union-busting attitudes was also carried another step forward.

Education Director Dick Pastor, who is responsible for the Roosevelt Field drive, appeared as a panelist at a conference sponsored by Governor Harriman's Consumer Counsel, Dr. Persia Campbell.

The conference, on Consumer Problems in Nassau County, was attended by representatives of every major organization. Carrying out the Union's theme that "Good Unions are Good for the Community", the Education Director stressed the fact that low incomes and lack of job security are the number one consumer problem. He cited the substantial difference in the average wage in the Macy stores covered by contract and Roosevelt Field, and sharply denounced Macy's use of union-buster Nathan Shefferman in an effort to keep the Union out.

"The entire community is poor-
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UNION'S GAY NINETIES PARTY HAILED AS BEST AFFAIR EVER RUN; MEMBERS ENTERTAIN ROYALLY



The gayest of gay! The best party we ever had! A wonderful time! Wow!

These were just a few sample reactions to the Union's Gay 90's party held on March 21st.

Grace Smith and Leo Apicello took turns at the piano. Bob Enoch, Sid Rosenthal and Lou Yelnick made up the As Is Trio. Ben White, Rex Mezza and Dolores Jackson had the place humming. And Jim Stone out-Presley-ed Elvis with a wicked guitar loaded with rock 'n' roll and old-fashioned country music that had the feet stamping, hands clapping and the joint jumping.

Mildred Kaplonski, Harry Leibowitz and Jerry Harte, all of the Activities Committee, did yeoman's duty as hosts, bartenders and merrymakers—as did the Union's entire staff.

Large Turnout

Despite a blustering snowstorm that had piled the streets, about 100 enthusiastic members plowed their way down Seventh Avenue to join the fun. And were they glad they did!

Without exception, there was one question that all asked and eagerly awaited an answer. "When," they wanted to know, "do we have our next party?"



Let's do it soon!"

Faithful reporting demands that it be noted that Jimmy Stone was a lowdown show stealer.

Jimmy, with only a month-and-a-half in the store, but already deeply attached to Local 1-S, has been a professional entertainer for eleven of his 20 years.

His voice and his guitar have captivated audiences on the Voice of Firestone program, on records and on his own radio and TV

programs in upstate New York.

The entire group that brought their ample talents to the party were new proof of the wonderful people who make up Local 1-S.

The unlimited beer and pretzels and snack stuff contributed to the good time that was had by all, but the main ingredient for this most successful of all Union parties was the human warmth and fun. It was, they all agreed, a night to remember!

Write! Write! Write! Bills In Congress Need Grassroot Support

The eyes of the nation are on Congress. In the days and weeks ahead the elected representatives of the people, both in the House and in the Senate, will have before them bills designed to lessen the impact of the current economic recession.

Unless these gentlemen hear the voices of the "grassroots", it is more than likely that they will heed the voices of the lobbyists for big business.

The following "must" legislation is coming up soon. Write to YOUR Congressman and ask him to vote for the following:

MINIMUM WAGE—The Morse-Kelley bill. Will extend minimum wage law to about 10 million workers (including retail) not now covered. State laws at present touch less than one-fifth of the 20 million workers excluded from Federal protection. Of the states that do have minimum wage laws, only six have minimum rates as high as \$1, and in more than half the other states rates of less than 75 cents—ranging as low as 20 cents an hour—are permitted.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE—The Kennedy-McCarthy Bill. Would increase the maximum basic benefit payable under state laws to not less than 3/4 of the state's average weekly wage—the minimum benefit would be not less than 50 percent of the worker's weekly wage. Benefits under this bill would be payable until a worker found a job or for not less than 39 weeks. The bill would extend benefits to all establishments with one or more employees, bringing 1,815,000 more under unemployment insurance.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION—The Hill-Elliott bills and the Kelley-Neuberger bills together provide for a comprehensive scholarship program and a multi-billion dollar school construction program. Both need all-out support.

DISTRESSED AREAS—The Douglas-Spence Area Redevelopment Act. Would provide chronically distressed areas of America with technical assistance, federal loans or grants, a retraining program of jobless workers and federal subsistence during re-training. Aid would be denied to "run-away" employers who might seek to locate in a depressed area while creating unemployment elsewhere.

SOCIAL SECURITY—H.R.-9467, introduced by Representative Aime J. Froand, provides for increased Social Security benefits, plus medical, hospital and nursing home care for benefit recipients. The bill is now pending in the House Ways and Means Committee, which should be urged to hold hearings.

TAXES—The House Ways and Means Committee has concluded hearings on a general revision of tax laws and is now considering appropriate action. Congressmen should be urged to support an increase of personal tax exemptions of at least \$100, and complete exemption for contributions to government retirement programs and Social Security, plus elimination of special privilege loopholes.

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or wife . . .
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BLOOD BANK BALANCE SHEET

Blood released during March was as follows:

Name	For	Pints
Alice Cassidy	Self	2
Bert Goldstein	Wife	1
Margaret Gabsa	Self	2
Agnes Hiler	Self	2
James McDermott	Self	1
Maida McLean	Self	1
Irma Matthew	Self	4
Jean Moore	Self	1
Elizabeth Nusio	Self	4
Dorothy Prieto	Father	2
David Rodin	Son	1
Richard Tausz	Self	1
Frances Williams	Self	1

Total Pints Contributed	921
Red Cross Share (1/3)	307
Our Bank's Share (2/3)	614
Released by Local 1-S before March	207
Released by Macy's before March	146
Released by Local 1-S in March	23
Released by Macy's in March	5
Total Released to Date	381

Balance in Bank 233

Roosevelt Workers Help

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er," he said, "as a result of Macy's anti-unionism." His talk was enthusiastically received by representatives of such groups as the New York State Federation of Women's Clubs, the New York State Board of the American Association of University Women, the Western Long Island District of the Parents and Teachers Association, the Nassau County Women's Bar Association and the Women's Forum of Nassau County.

An Eye-Opener

Many of these people were getting, for the first time, a direct report on the issues involved at Roosevelt Field and the community's stake in the Union's campaign.

One of the encouraging gains which has been made is the fact that larger-than-ever numbers, in the store and in the community are rapidly approaching—or have already reached—the point where they recognize that the only thing they have to fear is fear itself. And that alone is a long step forward from the confusion and uncertainty Macy's use of the Shefferman Formula had created!

Help Needed

Members of Local 1-S who know people working in the

Roosevelt Store are again urged to pass their names and addresses on to the Union just as quickly as possible so that they can be visited. This is especially urgent at this time!

HEALTH PLAN NOTE

If you plan to take a leave of absence (including maternity and military leave) for more than 14 days or if you leave the store and wish to continue your Health Plan coverage on a direct payment basis YOU MUST see the Local 1-S Health Plan Consultant at the Union office.

You are covered by The Health Plan only until the end of the month in which you leave the store, and have another 30 days within which to arrange for your direct payments.

If you, or a member of your family covered by the Health Plan, enters the hospital or has medical care covered by the Health Plan you MUST call on the Union office for claim forms immediately on entering or as soon as possible thereafter. Forms must be filled out and returned directly to the Union office.

Protect yourself—protect your family—protect your benefits. Be sure to come to the Union office on time.

PERSONALS

WANTED—5 or 6 room apartment. Please call HO 8-1386.

FOR SALE—1 pair candelabras, in good condition. \$15. Call WA 8-8565 after 5 P.M.

FOR SALE—Brand new High Riser; reasonable. Please phone WA 2-1314 after 6 P.M.

FOR SALE—Real bargain: 6-pc. walnut bedroom set: twin beds, spring and mattress, dresser and mirror, chest, night table and chair. Must see to appreciate. Call LO 7-4560 after 6 P.M.

FOR SALE—Persian lamb coat, size 12-14; \$200. Also, slightly worn dresses. Phone IN 2-1069 after 8 P.M.

Personal ads for the Local 1-S NEWS must be received at the Union office by the 1st or 15th day of each month. Ads received on the 1st will appear in the issue dated the 15th. Those received on the 15th will appear in the issue dated the 1st of the following month. This is offered as a service to members of Local 1-S and there is no charge for personal ads.

MEDICAL PLAN—For the name and address of the doctor, dentist, optometrist or podiatrist nearest you CALL the Union Office—WA 4-4540 or Associated Physicians Medical Group—BU 8-4210 (Night or Day). Complete schedule of fees available upon request.

BLOOD BANK—If you need blood from the Blood Bank CALL the Union Office—WA 4-4540.

TO THE EDITOR

BLOOD

I wish to take this opportunity to express my deepest thanks and appreciation to the Blood Bank for blood received during my recent illness.

I am indeed also grateful to the many donors who made my recovery possible.

Sincerely yours,

Rose Marie Holmes, 10 Dept. BLOOD

I wish to thank you for the blood donation and the efficient handling of my doctor and hospital bills, also for the kind get-well card.

I want particularly to thank the Health Plan Consultant, who was most considerate and efficient in taking care of my case.

Thanks once again,

A. Wilson, 79 Dept. BLOOD (?)

I am in the midst of convalescing after a serious operation and am taking this opportunity to write and thank all the members of the Welfare Board for their delightful gift and for the cards I received while in the hospital. It all made me feel extremely good.

I dislike having to interrupt a letter of gratitude with a complaint. However, my husband was in touch with the Blood Bank dur-

ing my hospitalization in reference to blood needed for my operation. He was told that it would be attended to. Nothing was done. I would be very grateful if you could contact the Presbyterian Hospital and settle that small matter.

Again, may I say thank you for everything. I am looking forward to getting back to work again very much—greatly to my own surprise.

Yours sincerely,

Jean Moore

EDITOR'S NOTE:

We are pleased to say that the blood Mrs. Moore used was promptly replaced after a slight delay. We trust no serious inconvenience resulted.

BLOOD

I want to first say I am certainly glad to be a member of Local 1-S.

I was hospitalized due to an operation. All my expenses were well taken care of—even my blood transfusion. I was also remembered by the Welfare Board with a lovely gift and card, which made me feel good.

I want to say thanks, one and all.

Sincerely,
Florence Magee, F7

APPRECIATION

Although this comes a little late, I want to express my appreciation to the Local 1-S Health Plan, which was so prompt in taking care of the doctor and hospital bills for my daughter.

I'm sure it is needless to tell of the shock and tensions that go with being told your daughter of fifteen has an acute appendicitis.

What a wonderful thing, though, that although this came on suddenly, you don't have the added worry of the expense.

Thank God, she is back in school.

Thanks again,

Jeannette Elman, 102 Dept.

PRIVILEGE

I would like to thank the Welfare Board for the nice gift and card. It is indeed a privilege to be a member of Local 1-S.

May I also take this opportunity to thank all my co-workers for the many cards and lovely gift.

I am deeply grateful to you all, and may God bless you.

Sincerely,
Charlotte O'Hara, BTO

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